

Introduced by Senator HancockFebruary 21, 2013

An act relating to employment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 438, as introduced, Hancock. Occupational safety and health.

Existing law, the California Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1973, establishes enforcement procedures for the requirements related to safe and healthful working conditions for Californians. The Division of Occupational Safety and Health of the Department of Industrial Relations is charged with enforcing occupational health and safety laws, orders, and standards, including the investigation of alleged violations of those provisions. Existing law requires the Director of Industrial Relations to prepare and submit to the Legislature, not later than March 1, an annual report on the activities of the division, including, among other components, the total inspections made and citations issued; the number of civil penalties assessed, total amount of fines collected, and the number of appeals heard; and information contained in a specified report prepared by the Bureau of Investigations of the division.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would recognize the importance of enforcement inspections under the act.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation that would recognize the importance of enforcement

- 1 inspections under the California Occupational Safety and Health
- 2 Act of 1973 (Part 1 (commencing with Section 6300) of Division
- 3 5 of the Labor Code).

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